

REMARKS

The present application has been reviewed in light of the Office Action dated April 18, 2005. Claims 18-20 are presented for examination, each of which is in independent form. Claims 21-23 have been canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter presented therein. Favorable reconsideration is requested.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the indication that Claims 18-20 have been allowed. Because no other claims remain in the present application, it is respectfully submitted that this case is in condition for allowance.

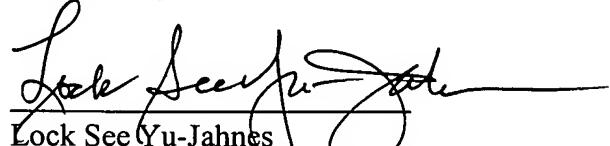
In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application.

No petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action is deemed necessary for the present Amendment. If, however, such a petition is required to make this Amendment timely filed, then this paper should be considered such a petition and the Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite petition fee to Deposit Account 06-1205.

CONCLUSION

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York Office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address listed below.

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